





# Monroe Lake

# March Schedule

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**Please arrive on time for scheduled programs!**

Programs listed here are designed for families/individuals.

Schools, scouts, and other organized groups should contact the Interpretive Naturalist for info on scheduling a private program. Private programs are available at all Monroe Lake SRAs and offsite locations in Monroe, Brown, Jackson, and Lawrence Counties.

**Paynetown Activity Center**  
*Located next to Swimming Beach inside Paynetown SRA: 812-837-9967*

Drop-in activity tables, lake information, kids' play area, live snakes, beetle colony, library, naturalist's office

*Open during the winter months by chance or appointment.*

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**Monroe Lake Office:**  
812-837-9546

**Paynetown Campground**  
**Reservations:** 866-622-6746,  
[www.CAMP.IN.gov](http://www.CAMP.IN.gov)

**Four Winds Resort & Marina (Fairfax):** 812-824-28

**Lake Monroe Boat Rental (Paynetown):** 812-837-9909

**Lake Monroe Marina (Cutright):** 812-837-9394

**Program locations are at Paynetown SRA, unless otherwise noted.**



## Geology Driving Tour

**Sunday, March 2 at 1:00p & Monday, March 17 at 1:00p**

**FREE but registration is REQUIRED by Feb. 25 for March 2 tour OR Mar. 12 for March 17 tour.** Sign up by emailing [jvance@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:jvance@dnr.IN.gov) with your name, phone number, and number of people in your group (you may also call the Paynetown Activity Center at 812-837-9967). **Each tour is limited to 15 people.**



**Important Notice!**

Both of these GEOLOGY TOURS have already filled (with overflow from a previous tour). However, we are accepting names for a WAIT LIST. *If you are on the wait list and don't get in, you'll get the first chance to register for the next tour!*

Anticlines, fault lines, geodes, basins, formations, and more... Join us for a driving tour that highlights the geology in the Monroe Lake area. You'll discover what these features tell us about our geologic past, how they shaped today's landscape, and their impact on our local economy. *4 hours*

Please dress for the weather. Some walking will be required. The tour begins at the Monroe Lake Office (on State Road 446, at the entrance to Paynetown SRA) and ends at the Harrodsburg exit on State Road 37. *Recommended for ages 16 and up.*

## Woodcock Walk

**Tuesday, March 11 at 7:30p**

**FREE but registration is REQUIRED by March 9.** Sign up by emailing [jvance@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:jvance@dnr.IN.gov) with your name, phone number, and number of people in your group (or call the Paynetown Activity Center at 812-837-9967). **Limited to 12 people.**

**Program Location: Fairfax SRA, Check Station**

American woodcocks begin their search for a mate in early Spring. As the sun goes down, we'll try to sneak a peek at the male courtship behavior. The combination of a distinct call and an aerial display make this an enjoyable bird to both watch and hear! *We'll be outdoors the whole time, so please dress for the temperature. If there is rain/snow, please call the Paynetown Activity Center (812-837-9967) by 5p to check program status.*





## Peninsula Hike

**Thursday, March 13 at 2:00p**

**FREE but registration is REQUIRED by March 3.** Sign up by emailing [jvance@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:jvance@dnr.IN.gov) with your name, phone number, and number of people in your group (you may also call the Paynetown Activity Center at 812-837-9967).

**Program Location: Meet in the Overflow Parking Lot at Paynetown SRA**

Frequent visitors to Paynetown may have noticed a narrow peninsula (or, when the water is high, a small island!) that projects out across the bay next to the campground. Have you ever visited it? Join the Monroe Lake naturalist for a hike through the “backcountry” of Paynetown and out to the peninsula. *2 hours*

## Community Programs at the **Bedford Public Library** on Tuesday, March 18

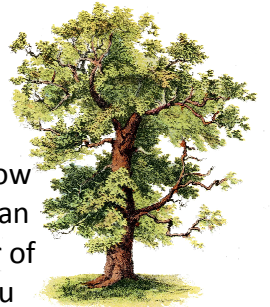
### ***What's in a Nut?* from 3:30p to 5p**

Children can *drop by* the Children's Department to investigate the inner “guts” of a tree nut, learn how it develops from a nut to a tree, and make a simple craft using tree nuts. **Recommended for ages 5 to 12.**



### ***Indiana's Oaks* at 6:00p**

How many species of oak trees grow in Indiana? Probably a lot more than you think! We'll take a virtual tour of Indiana's forests and introduce you to the amazing variety of oaks found within them. Attendees will also learn about the importance of acorns in oak identification and examine a selection of real acorns. **Recommended for ages 14 +.** Lower Level Program Room. *45 minutes*



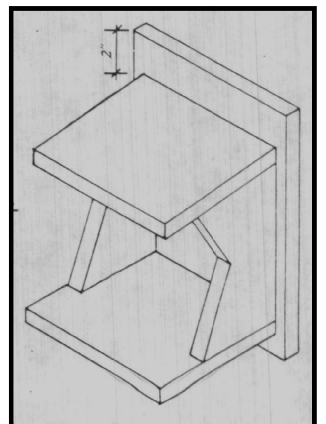
## Songbird Nesting Shelf Workshop

**Friday, March 21 at 2:00p**

**Registration required by noon on Mar. 17.** Cost is \$12 per person. Limited to 8 people. Call the Paynetown Activity Center at 812-837-9967.

**Program Location: Paynetown SRA Activity Center**

Want to experience the joy of watching songbirds nest in your backyard? You can supplement natural nesting spots with a handmade nesting shelf. During this workshop, participants will build a nesting shelf that can attract American Robins, Eastern Phoebe, and Barn Swallows, while learning about the habitat preferences of each species. *90 minutes*



## Lunch with Nature Series: Ice Age in Indiana Tuesday, March 25 at 11:00a

**FREE but registration is REQUIRED by 12p on March 24; limited to 12 people.** Sign up by emailing [jvance@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:jvance@dnr.IN.gov) with your name, phone number, and number of people in your group (or call the Paynetown Activity Center at 812-837-9967).

**Program Location: Paynetown Activity Center**

*Join us for our monthly Lunch with Nature Series!* Bring a sack lunch to enjoy (indoors!) during the main presentation. Afterwards, there will be a short walk/hike to follow up on the theme of the presentation (so please bring appropriate outerwear!). **90 minutes**

Our topic for March is the Ice Age in Indiana. The presentation will focus on some of the land animals that lived in our area during the Pleistocene, including an update on current research being conducted at ice age sites in Indiana. The short hike afterwards will compare our modern-day landscape to what the habitat was like during the Pleistocene.